

### REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request the examiner to enter the above amendment. Claims 1-26 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 27-46 have been added and are supported, for example, as indicated below. No new matter is introduced in the amendment.

Claim 27 is supported, for example, at page 3, lines 2-4; page 4, lines 14-17; page 4, lines 28-30; and page 12, lines 15-17 of the specification.

Claim 28 is supported, for example, at page 4, lines 20-23; page 11, lines 2-5; and page 14, table 3 of the specification.

Claim 29 is supported, for example, at page 14, table 3 of the specification.

Claim 30 is supported, for example, at page 6, lines 7-9 of the specification.

Claim 31 is supported, for example, at page 6, lines 7-9 of the specification.

Claim 32 is supported, for example, at page 6, lines 7-9 of the specification.

Claim 33, is supported, for example, at page 6, lines 7-9 of the specification.

Claim 34, is supported, for example, at page 9, lines 12-14 of the specification.

Claim 35 is supported, for example, at page 3, line 13 and page 6, line 16 of the specification.

Claim 36 is supported, for example, at page 7, lines 21-28 of the specification.

Claim 37 is supported, for example, at page 7, lines 26-27 of the specification.

Claim 38 is supported, for example, at page 7, lines 27-28 of the specification.

Claim 39 is supported, for example, at page 9, lines 23-24 of the specification.

Claim 40 is supported, for example, at page 6, lines 7-9; page 9, lines 12-14; and page 9, lines 23-24 of the specification.

Claim 41 is supported, for example, at page 11, lines 1-5 and page 14, table 3 of the specification.

Claim 42 is supported, for example, at page 3, line 13 and page 6, line 16 of the specification.

Claim 43 is supported, for example, at original claim 3 of the specification.

Claim 44 is supported, for example, at page 6, lines 7-9; page 9, lines 12-14; and page 9, lines 23-24 of the specification.

Claim 45 is supported, for example at page 7, lines 21-28 of the specification.

Claim 46 is supported, for example, at page 11, lines 1-5 and page 14, table 3 of the specification.


Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.



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Respectfully submitted,

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